



July 26, 2019

**VIA E-MAIL**

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Re: Garden Grove Police Department – Public Records Act Request  
Received July 16, 2019 – Notice of Extension of Time

Dear Mr. Sinyangwe:

This office provides legal services to the Garden Grove Police Department (the “Department”). I have been asked to respond to your recent records request on behalf of the Department. This letter shall serve as notification of the Department’s intent to comply with your request for public records pursuant to the California Public Records Act (“PRA” or the “Act”) (Government Code § 6250 *et seq.*).

Your request is dated July 16, 2019. The request seeks various records related to instances in which force was used by officers employed by the Department. Specifically, the request seeks records related to:

1. The total number of police uses of force in 2018, broken down by type of force used (i.e., number of uses of tasers, numbers of uses of baton, etc.).
2. The total number of use of force complaints reported by civilians in 2018.
3. The total number of use of force complaints reported by civilians that were sustained in 2018.
4. All arrest data reported to the California Department of Justice via the Monthly Arrests and Citation Register program covering arrests made in 2017 and 2018, including (but not limited to), the age, race/ethnicity, gender, offense category (felony, misdemeanor, status offense), charge and disposition of arrestees.

The Department is currently in the process of evaluating your request and is reviewing and compiling records in an effort to make a determination as to whether the request, in whole or in part, seeks copies of non-exempt, non-privileged, disclosable public records in the possession of the Department. However, notice is hereby given that the time limit to make this determination under the Act is extended by fourteen (14) days to **August 9, 2019**, pursuant to Government Code section 6253, for the following reasons:

- (a) The need to search for, collect, and appropriately examine a voluminous amount of separate and distinct records that are demanded in a single request; and
- (b) The need for consultation with another agency having substantial interest in the determination of the request or among two or more components of the Department which have a substantial interest in the subject matter of the records sought.

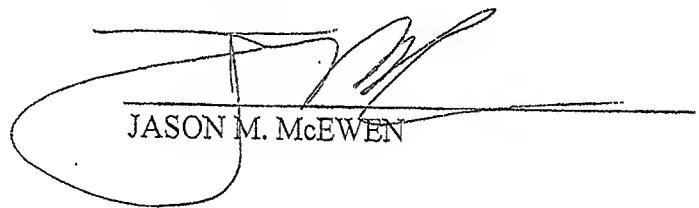
The Department has already commenced its initial review of the request in an effort to make the requisite determination under the Act; however, more time is needed to complete such a comprehensive records review. As noted above, the Department's written determination as to whether the request seeks copies of non-exempt, non-privileged disclosable public records in the possession of the Department will be sent to you on or before August 9, 2019

Thereafter, any and all non-exempt, non-privileged disclosable public records that are deemed responsive, or potentially responsive, to the request will be made promptly available to you for inspection so that you may ensure their responsiveness. Copies of responsive records will be made available to you after your inspection upon payment of fees, in advance, covering the Department's direct costs of duplication.

If you have any questions regarding this response, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Cordially,

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